## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 272**

## By Hazlewood

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Marj Flemming on being named a 2017 Woman of Distinction.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy individual is Marj Flemming, who has been selected to receive the American Lung Association of Tennessee's 2017 Woman of Distinction Award; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious honor is given to women in the Chattanooga community who have distinguished themselves and made a difference in the lives of people every day through their professional accomplishments, volunteer service, and philanthropic activities; and

WHEREAS, Marj Flemming is owner, CEO, author, coach, and teacher for LaunchPoint Leadership, which provides leadership training to several area organizations; and

WHEREAS, a Board Member Emeritus of the Chattanooga Women's Leadership Institute, Ms. Flemming is a founding member of that worthy organization; she also created and coordinated its Women Mentoring Women program, served as managing director, led the strategic planning effort, and served as annual event chair on three occasions; and

WHEREAS, an avid supporter of her community, she has served as an advisor to Chattanooga State Community College Global Scholars, the Southeast Advocacy Center for Elder Rights, the Tennessee Governor's Committee on Equal and Fair Employment Opportunity, the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Women's Studies Program, and the Volkswagen Group of America Diversity Council; volunteer coordinator for the Children's Advocacy Center; and a board member of Signal Centers, The Women's Fund, and Room In The Inn; and

WHEREAS, a devoted wife and mother, Marj Flemming enjoys the love and support of her husband, Leland Bohl, and her children, Lee, Jonathan, Stacey, Keith, and Kevin; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people such as Marj Flemming who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Marj Flemming on being named a 2017 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.